

June 7, 2021

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to go into an executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 6:50 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Perry to come out of the executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 7:04 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

A Public Information Meeting was held on this date at 7:05 pm to review and discuss the possibility of a Splash Pad in either Russell Park or Village owned property on Eckerson Avenue. A small Power Point Presentation was viewed and Planning Board Member, Alison Koopman, explained the pros and cons of both locations. Several residents had questions regarding maintenance, security, health permits and costs for such a project. The Board will continue to reach out to the Public and continue discussing this project.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 8:01 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees, E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Brian T. Perry, and Darrin L. Folger; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Treasurer Sarah Michel, Chief of Police Richard Lauricella, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings, and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 17, 2021 and the Special Meeting of May 24, 2021 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Perry seconded by Folger that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

General Fund	\$	36,187.47
Electric Fund	\$	97,740.36
Water Fund	\$	8,682.94
Sewer Fund	\$	8,667.29
Capital Projects	\$	22,895.61

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
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E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Folger that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the application and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Michael Rudz	6 Sylvan Pkwy	Driveway/Sidewalk	\$50.00
Vivian Stempniak	21 Marshall Ave	Interior remodel	\$75.00
Robert Ross	11 Pearl Pl	Fence	\$50.00
I Squared R	12600 Clarence Ctr Rd	Fence	\$50.00
Barry Sweitzer	48 East Ave	Roof	\$50.00
Marty Salmon	84 Bloomingdale Ave	Sanitary Sewer	\$100.00
John Burden	141 Main St	Replace Driveway	\$50.00
Jason Baumgart	32 Front St	Pool	\$100.00

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

PUBLIC HEARING – None

APPEARANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

PROJECT REPORTS –

CDBG – ADA Sidewalk Aprons/Crosswalks – Nothing New

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – project continuing nicely.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Kudos to the Community for coming in large numbers to support the Pancake Breakfast served on Memorial Day, such a great event and happy to see people out and gathering again. Attorney Borden stated he is looking forward to the summer where hopefully more people will be out and about.

CLERK – submitted report for May 2021; submitted the Final draft of the BRIDGENY grant application for State Street Bridge; Worked the successful Household Hazardous Waste/Electronic Recycling/Shred-it event held May 22, 2021, a big thank you to those who worked or volunteered their time; 2021-2022 Village Taxes were mailed out May 28, 2021 along with Pilot Taxes.

CHIEF OF POLICE – submitted report for May 2021 and schedule for June 2021. Reported: mentioned acts of criminal mischief in the Clinton Street area, please be aware and call the Police if you see any unusual activities. He reported that he will be moving forward with the purchase of a new patrol vehicle on a mini NYS bid and is currently working with Treasurer Michel with the financing/payment of the vehicle; The seat has been repaired in the 2018 Patrol Vehicle; all routine maintenance is up to date. He also recommended a step increase for full time Police Officer Robert S. Johnston.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Middaugh to authorize the step increase for full time Police Officer Robert S. Johnston from Step 2 to Step 3 as of his anniversary of June 7<sup>th</sup> as per the recommendation of Police Chief Richard Lauricella be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED    CARL E. PATTERSON       - AYE  
                 E. PETER FORRESTEL       - AYE  
                 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH   - AYE  
                 BRIAN T. PERRY               - AYE  
                 DARRIN L. FOLGER           - AYE

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER – continuing routine maintenance along with grooming Village Parks for Memorial Day as well as yard waste and brush pick-up. He also stated that the Streets crew will go back to picking up brush every Monday now through to October and asked that Village Residents leave their brush at the curb instead of bringing to Joint Facility. Town Residents should continue to bring their brush to the Joint Facility.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – reported: submitted report for May 2021; Busy with the building season.

AKRON FIRE COMPANY – Board Members received and reviewed the May 2021 report from Chief Haist during the earlier work session.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Perry – reported: As mentioned in the Clerk’s report earlier, the final State Street Bridge was submitted to BRIDGENY with the help of Clark Patterson Lee, if awarded the Village’s share would be approximately \$79,000. Regarding East Avenue, Clark Patterson Lee is still working on the cost proposal study and will meet with us at the end of this month, will continue to work with Ed Rath and Mike Norris looking for State funding for help with this project. Will meet with Troy Schinzel, Erie County Parks Commissioner, along with Trustee Forrestel and Public Works Manager Jon Cummings to discuss the restoring Akron Falls Rock Garden with help from the Lions Club and possibly Federal monies earmarked from Erie County. Those monies from the Federal government could be used to re-pave the road through the Akron Falls Park too.

Trustee Middaugh – nothing to report.

Mayor Patterson – reported: Will be working on items for our Historic Main Street such as initiating and researching a possible color pallet for the Central Building District buildings as well as new signage and speed control; Congratulate Robert Lucia on his recent retirement of over 20 years of service to the Village and best wishes for his future endeavors; Received correspondence from Pat Pearce of the Historical Society with a passport book of Historic places in Erie County to visit as the County celebrates its Bicentennial.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: HR Committee held the 1<sup>st</sup> Round of interviews for the replacement of the Chief Sewer Plant Operator, 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Interviews will be held in the near future and hopefully appoint the next Chief Sewer Plant Operator at the next Village Board Meeting. With the absence of Bob Lucia at the Sewer Plant, Trustee Forrestel recommended appointing Robby Lucia as the interim Chief Sewer Plant Operator to serve in the capacity of the vacant position and increase his pay to an appropriate rate according to the Union Contract.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to approve the appointment of Robby Lucia as interim Chief Sewer Plant Operator to serve in the capacity of the vacant position and to increase his pay to an appropriate rate according to the Union Contract be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED    CARL E. PATTERSON       - AYE  
                 E. PETER FORRESTEL       - AYE  
                 MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH   - AYE  
                 BRIAN T. PERRY               - AYE  
                 DARRIN L. FOLGER           - AYE

Trustee Forrestel also reported that he and Mayor Patterson have been working with the Union Representative to extend the Union Contract for a one-year term which Mayor Patterson

will sign this evening. Lastly, he reported having a meeting with County Legislator Chris Greene and some of his staff regarding the condition of Akron Falls Park where there are approximately 400 dead trees that need to be taken down, he will also discuss this issue with Parks Commissioner Troy Schinzel at the meeting scheduled tomorrow at the Rock Garden in Akron Falls Park.

Trustee Folger – nothing to report.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue/ 43 East Avenue Village Land – Public Informational Meeting held earlier this evening.

Splash Pad – Public Informational meeting held earlier this evening.

Cedar Street – Electrical/Trees/Sidewalks – Nothing new.

Jackson Street Sidewalks – Nothing new.

Appointment of Firematic Officers for 2021 – Joint meeting scheduled for June 16, 2021.

#### NEW BUSINESS

As per Trustee Forrestel also Chairman of the Water Wastewater Committee: The Committee has recommended to extend the Sewer Moratorium for another six months until December 30, 2021 with the same conditions as the last extension.

Background:

In December 2020, the Village Board extended the sewer moratorium until June 30, 2021. Based upon the monthly operation reports provided by Clark Patterson Lee, the Board finds that the Wastewater Treatment Plant is running well under its rated capacity. There is, however, significant infiltration in the collection system which requires a continuation of the moratorium at 50 equivalent household units. At this time, more than 95% of the Village has had camera and smoke test evaluations. The continuation of the moratorium will allow the Village to complete testing and correction work.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry that the present moratorium as described by local law 2005-1 as amended is extended until December 31, 2021 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Middaugh to allow the Akron Chamber of Commerce to hang the Annual Sidewalk Sale banner across Main Street be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Perry to approve the purchase of a chlorine analyzer from Holland Chemical in the amount for \$9,450.00 for the Water Plant as per the request from Public Works Manager Jon Cummings be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE  
DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Perry to approve the purchase from Quackenbush Company, Inc. in the amount of \$7,341.00 to repair the control panel for the Village Hall boiler be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE  
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE  
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE  
BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE  
DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

CORRESPONDENCE –

Letter from Residents Robert Scheib and Maria Williams regarding a vacant Brooklyn Street property.

Letter from Charter Communications regarding broadcast changes dated May 28, 2021.

2020 Erie County Clerk’s Office Annual Report.

Letter of request from the Akron Celebration Committee requesting Akron Police assistance for security and traffic control during the July 3<sup>rd</sup> fireworks show and requesting the use of Russell Park as well as street closing assistance of Main Street for Power Wheels Race, Soapbox Derby and Kiddie and Gala Parades scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Perry to approve the Akron Police traffic control for the Village intersections of Buell St/Skyline Dr and Skyline Dr/ Crittenden Rd be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE  
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE  
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE  
BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE  
DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Folger to approve the Celebration Committee’s request of use of Russell Park and Akron Police assistance in closing Main Street for the Power Wheels Race, Soapbox Derby and Kiddie and Gala Parades scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE  
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE  
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE  
BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE  
DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Folger to go into an executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 9:04 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE  
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE  
MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH - AYE  
BRIAN T. PERRY - AYE  
DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Forrestel to come out of the executive session regarding personnel matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation at 9:28 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

On motion of Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh at 9:29 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

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MAYOR

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CLERK